

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please amend the Specification as follows:

[0007] Another patent that refers to use of digital holograms is U.S. Patent No. ~~6,282,818~~ 6,262,818, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. This patent refers to a method for simultaneous amplitude and quantitative phase contrast imaging by numerical reconstruction of digital holograms. This approach also requires significant computational power, which may limit throughput.